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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
YASUHIRO SEKINE, ET AL. ) : Examiner: Thomas J. Magee  
Appln. No.: 10/676,085 ) : Group Art Unit: 2811  
Filed: October 2, 2003 ) :  
For: SOLID STATE IMAGE PICKUP )  
ELEMENT AND METHOD OF ) :  
MANUFACTURING SOLID ) :  
STATE IMAGE PICKUP ) :  
ELEMENT ) April 11, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

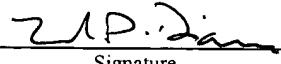
In response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2005, Applicants elect, without traverse, to proceed initially with prosecution of Group I (Claims 6-9).

An early and favorable examination of those claims on the merits is respectfully requested.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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Signature      April 11, 2005  
                  Date of Signature

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York Office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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